

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



APPLICANTS : Gong, Kufe, Nicolette and Roberts
SERIAL NUMBER : 09/782,492 EXAMINER : Qian J. Li
FILING DATE : February 12, 2001 ART UNIT : 1632
FOR : CELL FUSIONS AND METHODS OF MAKING AND USING THE SAME

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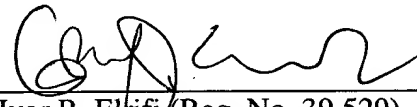
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office action mailed April 9, 2003 in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before October 9, 2003. A check in the amount of \$950.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 20363-004. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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